

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Currently Amended): A system for a covered belt for a personal flotation device, the system comprising:
    - a buoyant material, having a first side arranged to face towards a body of a user of the device, and a second side arranged to face away from the body;
    - a cover, arranged to cover at least a portion of the second side of the buoyant material;
    - and
    - a belt, arranged to encircle a portion of the body, positioned between at least a portion of the cover and the second side of the buoyant material, the belt passing through the cover at at least one location, the belt being stitched to the cover ~~near~~ adjacent the at least one location where the belt passes through the cover.
  2. (Original): The system of Claim 1, wherein the cover includes stretchable fabric.
  3. (Original): The system of Claim 2, wherein the stretchable fabric includes neoprene.
  4. (Original): The system of Claim 1, wherein the belt includes nylon webbing.
  5. (Original): The system of Claim 1, wherein the belt is arranged to encircle the body.
  6. (Original): The system of Claim 1, wherein the belt is stitched to the cover at at least two locations.

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